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## **REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111**

Sir:

This amendment is being filed in reply to the outstanding Office Action, mailed September 24, 2002, in connection with the above application. The period for response has been extended to January 24, 2003, with the accompanying petition for a one month extension. Please enter the following amendments:

In the specification:

Please replace the paragraph bridging pages 5 and 6 with the following paragraph:

Figure 2 illustrates the transfection of cells with mouse serum albumin (MSA)-Myc fusion constructs and successful expression of the fusion protein, as well as binding of MSA and Myc antibodies to MSA-Myc fusion proteins depending on the location of the heterologous sequence in the MSA protein. The Myc epitope sequences in the figure is represented by SEQ ID NO: 2.